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person continuance of the conditions in the  
 forming of which I am operated. It has  
 even demanded of me that I should cease  
 out about politics. Never have I com-  
 across a piece of greater simplicity than  
 involved in that unheeded of demand. Ex-  
 perts have the best right, and sometimes  
 is their duty, to speak on questions which  
 belong to their special subject, and I believe

knowledge after my long term of office. My action can now be only negative, but I shall not permit anyone to forbid me to express my competent judgment on measures which I deem harmful. This, I believe, is also of the Conservative spirit, not Ministerial, but conserving.

hope that all of you call yourselves Conservatives in the sense in which I have employed the term. I shall not be your fellow labourer long. May these political principles not die with me, but may our political work be carried on in the way marked out by our late Imperial master!

ing check sustained by Prince Bismarck Geestemünde has caused almost as much sensation in Paris as in Germany. The French will consider Prince Bismarck their arch enemy, and they will rue over what they regard as a humiliating defeat.

**LATE TELEGRAMS.**  
THE NEW WARDEN OF THE CINQUE PORTS.  
*London, May 6.*—Mr W. H. Smith has been appointed Lord Warden of the Cinque Ports in succession to the late Earl Grosvenor.  
*London, May 8.*—Mr W. H. Smith has

**THE NEW ORLEANS AFFAIR.**  
*Washington, May 6.*—The Grand Jury at New Orleans has refused to indict the men who were arrested in connection with the lynchings of a number of Italians at

ing as a reason for throwing out the indictment that the jurymen before whom the murderers of the Chief Constable of New Orleans were tried were equally divided in their opinion for and against acquitting accused, and that some of them suborned.

ing was the spontaneous act of the people and it would be difficult to fix the guilt upon any individuals.

**ELECTION NEWS.**  
**London, 6th May.**—Baron Steno, Gloucestrian Liberal candidate, has been elected for the Stowmarket Division of Suffolk.

Conservative candidate.  
[This is a gain of a seat for the Gl  
stonians. Mr Edward Greene, the decess  
ed Conservative member, was elected  
1886 by a majority of 543 over his Gl  
stonian opponent.]

**ITALY AND AFRICA.**

of Deputies to-day, a motion by the Radical party in favour of the evacuation of Africa was rejected by a large majority. RUMOURED RESIGNATION OF THE VICEROY OF INDIA. Allahabad, 6th May.—The Pioneer says there appears to be no radiating.

impression that has been created at home by the circumstantial stories that have been put abroad of Lord Lansdowne having refused to be relieved of his appointment. Try goes so far as to disown his lordship's successor, but that may be for the pleasure of having a stab at the Marquis of Lorne who the writer affects to fear is in the

ing for the supposed vacancy, otherwise is difficult to believe what can have led sceptical Labouchere to accept a statement which has not now and never had the foundation.

OBITUARY.

London, 7th May.—The death is announced of Colonel Herbert Dees

**DYNAMITE OUTRAGE IN CHILI.**  
New York, 7th May.—An unsuccessful attempt has been made to kill the lead members of the Chilean Ministry, a bomb having been thrown into the street in Yagouajay, where the Ministers were en-

**THE CHILIANS AND THE UNITED STATES.**  
New York, 8th May.—The Chilean in-  
gent steamer *Itata*, whilst loading mu-  
nitions of war at San Diego in California  
was boarded by the United States Marine  
at that port, who laid an embargo upon

the Marshal to the ship until she was outside the harbour and then landed him at a distant point from the shore. The vessel was not allowed to leave the vessel. Several United States warships have been despatched in pursuit of the field.

**THE PRICE OF WHEAT.**

price of wheat is attributed to the decision of the Committee of the French Chamber of Deputies to reduce the duties temporarily.

**CAPTAIN VERNBY'S CONVICTION.**  
*London, May 2.*—In the House of Commons last night, the Speaker read a judgment of the Court of Criminal Appeal, which was as follows:—

A discussion will take place on Tuesday when it is considered probable that C. Verney's expulsion from the House will be decided on.

Verney has been expelled from the House of Commons.

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**Exchange.**  
**HONGKONG, May 22.**

On London—

On demand,	3/18
30 days' sight,	3/18
4 months' sight,	3/2
Credits, 4 "	3/21
Documentary, 4 months' sight,	3/28
On Paris—	
On demand,	3.95

On Berlin—	
On demand, ... ..	3.20
On New York—	
On demand, ... ..	76 1/2
Credits, 60 days' sight, ...	77 1/2
On Bombay—	
Wire, ... ..	22 1/2

On demand, ... ..	221 1/2
On Calcutta—	
Wire, ... ..	221 1/2
On demand, ... ..	221 1/2
On Shanghai—	
On demand, ... ..	71 1/2
30 days' sight, private paper, ... ..	72 1/2
Gold Leaf, 100 fine ... ..	\$33.000

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7-	Do.	1 P.M.	78
7-	Do.	4 P.M.	78
7-	Do. (Wet bulb) 9 A.M.		73
7-	Do. Do. 1 P.M.		74
7-	Do. Do. 4 P.M.		76
7-	Do. Maximum		78

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